

'LIFERS' EXPECT SMALL CHRISTMAS

Stories of Men in Joliet and What Might Have Been Told Scribe

LIKE ANY OTHER DAY

One Escaped to Get Money to Prove His Innocence, but Detective "Got" Him

STATE PENITENTIARY, JOLIET, Ill., Dec. 20.—Christmas to a "lifer" behind prison walls—empty, black, a day saddened by memories of what was and dreams of what might have been.

True, there's a special dinner, a movie perhaps, but what's that? Friends, relatives, loved ones, make Christmas. Without them the day is meaningless.

So said two convicted murderers here today. They're "in for life." To them Christmas, like any other day, means only front bars, bleak stone walls, wasted lives.

Young Farmer Boy One. There's prisoner No. 1312. He's 22, a farmer boy. Never before has he eaten Christmas dinner away from his mother's table.

Last August, crazed with bad liquor, he murdered his bride of four months. Three weeks ago he was brought here. He changed his name for a number.

His face is frank, open, boyish. His hands are nervous, twitching—twitching because their owner is just beginning to realize the enormity of the crime they committed.

"I never was in trouble before," he said, thinking back over many cheerful Christmas days spent at his home near Morris, Ill., and of four happy months with his young wife, "the only girl I ever went with."

"I was raised just as well as any boy in the country," he said. "I had a good education. I never drank before. Now everything is swept away. It's sad. When I think of it I almost go crazy."

"Christmas?" queried another "lifer" convicted in 1913 of murdering an actress in a Chicago hotel. "Well, it's just about like any other day."

His voice was weak, submissive. And he laughed a hollow, meaningless laugh. Six years in prison have made him that way.

These possessions he has in the world—his wife, which is useless to him unless he can gain his freedom; a small picture, reproduction of a hotel cash book with which he once had a faint hope he might prove he was innocent of the crime of which he was declared guilty, and \$170 in money, not enough to engage a good lawyer to handle his case.

Saved to Prove Innocence. Several years ago this prisoner then a trusty, walked away from the prison farm. His sole idea was to earn enough money to prove his innocence.

Would Burn Every Woman's College



Mr. A. B. See, elevator manufacturer of Brooklyn, N. Y., has aroused the indignation of heads of colleges all over the country by an outburst called forth by a letter to Mr. See asking a contribution toward the rebuilding of Adelphi college, one of the most efficient colleges of education in the east. Mr. See declared the destruction of American colleges would improve the condition of women who are losing the respect and honor of men.

He was missing three years. In Seattle he made good. But one day he was recognized by a detective, "picked up" and brought back to Joliet. He had \$170, saved from a salary never more than \$22.50 a week. All this he confided on condition his name not be disclosed.

"I don't want to beg for sympathy," he said. "If I only had a friend outside who would do something for me. But there is no one. I am getting old. Freedom is a wonderful thing, but I guess it's not for me."

Tears welled into his sad eyes. He wiped them away with the back of his hand.

Then he walked back to his cell, there to contemplate another black Christmas—only another day of memories and dreams that never come true.

TONS OF APPLES GOING TO WASTE

Third of Apple Crop in Washington Ruining, Union Man Says

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 20.—One-third of the apple crop of the state of Washington is going to ruin because of lack of transportation facilities and exorbitant freight rates, John Quincy Adams, president of the Washington State Farmers' union declared today.

Adams estimated the monetary loss to Washington growers at \$1,500,000 out of a total crop valuation of \$6,000,000.

"One-third of the apple crop in Washington is going to ruin through sheer inability to move or to handle in the face of the high freight rates," Adams said. "But lack of transportation is the cause of this huge loss."

Apples are being left on trees or being dumped in the rivers or are frozen while in filthy warehouses waiting cars which never come.

"Farmers throughout the apple districts are using private cellars and all available storage space to hold the apples and prevent their freezing until cars arrive."

"The Columbia river between Orondo and Wenatchee is red with apples which have been dumped. True, many of them were wormy but at least some would have been marketable if they had been sorted."

"However, with railroad rates as high as they are and no cars available, growers are shipping only what fancy apples they can. The net prices obtained do not justify growers in handling 'C' grade apples and even some fancy apples."

Adams declared the Washington farmers are in favor of a tribunal which will prevent railroad strikes and force both railroads and employees to give transportation for the moving of crops.

Twelve women held jobs as telephone and telegraph linemen in 1920, that being an increase of six over 1910.

Tulsa Boy Scouts Help During Rush At Postoffice Here

A woman with a small Christmas package in her hand approached the postoffice yesterday. A little fellow in a khaki suit sprang to meet her, touching his cap.

"Carry your parcel, lady?" he asked.

The woman smilingly assured him that it was very small and that she could carry it herself and went on into the building. In the lobby a boy about the same size greeted her with—

"Can I weigh your package?"

Not having been in the office for several days, the procedure was new to her. The last time she was there, no boy had offered to help her. So partly in curiosity she gave him the package, went on to mail her letters and returned to find the boy taking his turn at the weighing table. He handed it to her with the information that it would be 11 cents. Thanking him, she dropped two nickels into his hand. He looked rather puzzled, and repeated, 11 cents, ma'am.

"But that's yours," she said. "I'll mail the package."

As though the nickels were hot, he handed them quickly back to her.

"No'm," he said. "We don't do that, thank you. We're Boy Scouts."

With a warm feeling in her heart, she thanked him and left the building, thinking—

"And they say the age of chivalry is past."

HARDING DELAYED IN HIS SHOPPING

Mrs. Harding Better, but Won't Participate in Holiday Affairs

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—While Mrs. Harding continues to show rapid recovery from her recent serious illness she has not yet sufficiently regained her strength to participate actively in any Christmas observance.

For this reason Christmas at the White House this year, it was definitely learned today, will be strictly informal, the president and Mrs. Harding planning to spend the day simply and quietly with a few personal friends. This is in striking contrast to former seasons when the mansion has been the scene of gayest festivities.

Except for Christmas day the president plans to devote much of the holiday week at his desk in the private study in the White House, clearing up work which has piled up here because of the legislative situation in congress and the recent turn of European developments.

Mrs. Harding's illness has prevented a Christmas shopping tour. The press of executive business has prevented any extensive shopping by the president. Last week, he managed to leave his work for a short time to make a personal trip to a local book store but other than this he has not had an opportunity personally to do Christmas shopping.

ASK CHANGE OF VENUE

Pair Accused as Hijackers Seek Change in Judges for Their Trial

Elmer Haskett and Edgar Menon, accused hijackers when their cases were called for a preliminary hearing yesterday before Justice A. P. Watson, The charges were transferred to Justice H. J. Gray and will be tried sometime next week. Haskett and Menon are charged with robbing the Whitehouse grocery, Ninth and Cincinnati, of \$185 the night of July 1. They were arrested last week by police officers.

Suit for damages totaling \$15,172 was filed yesterday in district court by Jack Worth Wilson against William G. and Florence Nelson. Wilson sets out in his petition that Benton bar as he suffered severe injuries

"Dope" Reports "Bunk" "Bill" Hart Declares

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—"Bunk" is how William S. Hart, movie star, characterizes the stories of "dope" revels in Hollywood. The two-star movie hero is in Chicago today on a short visit. Hollywood, according to Hart, has not a cabaret or a dance hall and has only four policemen, although its population is 500,000.

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